



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN BANWELL YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7:30pm ON MONDAY 18th JULY 2022

PRESENT: Councillors: Paul Blatchford (Chairman), Kevin Gibbons, Paul Harding (Vice Chairman), Maggie McCarthy and Matthew Thomson.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Liz Shayler (Clerk)
WARD COUNCILLOR: Cllr Haverson
AVON & SOMERSET POLICE: None
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Two

Cllr Blatchford welcomed everybody.

Before the meeting was convened, members of the public were invited to speak.

i) Members of the public

No members of public were present

ii) Community Beat Manager's report

The following report was received for the period 15/06/2022 to 14/07/2022.

Calls from Parish = 36 with the following selection of crimes reported: 5 abandoned 999 calls, 1 burglary, 4 concern for welfare, 1 harassment, 1 missing person, 6 suspicious activity, 5 traffic related, 2 theft and 1 threat.

The neighbourhood team continue to offer free home security checks, bike marking, tack marking, tool marking as well as dealing with day-to-day police incidents. Residents are asked to contact them, if they are holding an event and would like the team to be involved. Residents were asked to get in touch via the Avon & Somerset website, follow them on social media, Facebook "Weston & Worle police or Twitter "NSPolice".

iii) Ward Councillor's report

Cllr Haverson reported that the following orders, in relation to the Banwell Bypass, had been approved by North Somerset, Compulsory Purchase Orders, Road Traffic Orders and Side Road Orders.

It was also reported that with the Governments Public Transport Grant, North Somerset were intending to improve the bus route system with traffic and / or road improvement and were reducing fares rather than increasing the number of routes.

In other North Somerset related news, the Portishead Railway Metro West can finally move forward with the funding shortfall being met by North Somerset, the West of England Combined Authority, and the Department of Transport. Finally, the Sea Monster (a repurposed North Sea oil rig) has arrived on the shores of Weston-super-Mare and will be built over the summer with the hope that it will be open to the public in September.

The meeting was convened.

102/22 To receive apologies for absence (agenda item 1)

Apologies were received from Cllrs Nick Manley, Steve Davies & Phil Adams

103/22 To receive members' declarations of interest on any agenda item (agenda item 2)

No declarations of interest were received.

104/22 To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on the 20th of June 2022 (agenda item 3)

Resolved – That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 20th of June 2022 be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

The minutes of the meetings will be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

105/22 To note the following minutes (agenda item 4)

i) Planning Committee Meeting Minutes of the 4th of July

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting were noted.

ii) Youth & Community Centre Committee Meeting Minutes of the 4th of July

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting were noted.

106/22 To receive the Clerk's report/Exchange of information (agenda item 5)

i) Remembrance Day Parade

With the new requirements from North Somerset for Road closures then the Parish Council were left with two choices. Either to hire a traffic management company or train a minimum of three volunteers. Both options were going to cost a significant amount of money. However, the amazing team at WSM Road Markings & Traffic Management have volunteered their time for free to ensure that this almost 100-year-old tradition can still happen. Therefore, the road closure will be covered under the Parish Council insurance, closed by NRSWA accredited stewards from WSM Road Markings & Traffic Management supported by volunteers.

ii) Youth Club Food Grant

The first course is now complete with amazing feedback from both young people and their parents. A huge thank you to the volunteers who made it possible.

iii) NS Footpaths around Banwell

The meeting was reminded that the Parish Council have no footpaths that they are directly responsible for. All footpaths are either the responsibility of North Somerset or the landowner that the path crosses. The only exception is Golling Lane where the Parish Council have an agreement that the Village Orderly strim it twice a year which North Somerset contribute half towards.

Recently the Parish Council have had complaints about the footpath from High Street through to Littlefields which was reported to North Somerset at the beginning of June. The footpath has now been strimmed.

iv) Banwell Bypass

The Planning Application for the Banwell Bypass is currently being uploaded. Justification for cutting off Moor Road and the additional road coming out above the scrap yard is due.

107/22 To note the training and events available and agree any attendance (agenda item 6)

i) Introduction to Local Councils E-Learning Course FREE

The training was noted

ii) ALCA e-learning on nimble

The training was noted

iii) **Communications Training via ALCA**

The training was noted

iv) **Finance Training via ALCA**

The training was noted

v) **'Scribe' Finance Training via ALCA**

The training was noted

vi) **Various dates Council Climate Emergency Workshops £100**

Resolved – That the Clerk attend the Workshop on the 19th of July.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

vii) **27th July Essential Councillor Sessions 6:30pm £40**

The training was noted

viii) **7th September SLCC virtual Finance Summit £45**

Resolved – That the Clerk attend the Summit on the 7th of September.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

ix) **15th September ALCA Planning in Plain English 6:30pm £40**

The training was noted

108/22 To approve the following items of expenditure (agenda item 7).

i) **£909 to replace all the wooden slats of the benches at the Recreation Ground.**

The clerk informed the meeting that the Recreation Ground Trust had been awarded £700 to replace the slats and to create a 'Happy to Chat' bench.

Resolved – to approve the payment of £909 to replace all the wooden slats of the benches at the Recreation Ground.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

ii) **£557 for the aerial runway service and replacement brake**

Resolved – to approve the payment of £557 for the aerial runway service and replacement brake in November.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

iii) **£35 annual payment to the Information Commission Office.**

Resolved – to approve the payment of £35 to the ICO.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

109/22 To agree to hold the following events (agenda item 8).

i) **A 'summer clean' in September.**

Resolved – to hold the 'summer clean' on September 10th

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

ii) **An information afternoon / community café in September / October**

Resolved – to hold an information afternoon / community café on 20th September.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

iii) **An Autumn Window Wander Trail October 14th – 16th 2022.**

Resolved – to hold the Autumn Window Trail on October 14th – 16th 2022.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

110/22 To approve the memorial to be erected on Riverside Green agree to demark the British Legion Tree (agenda item 9)

Resolved – To agree approve the memorial as supplied by the British Legion 520mm x 250mm x 160mm.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

111/22 To discuss and agree a way forward in relation to a request from the WI to decorate the War Memorial during November with a poppy net (agenda item 10)

That whilst the idea is appreciated then maybe the war memorial is not the most appropriate location given the traffic.

112/22 To discuss Golling Lane and whether the Parish Council will contribute to the cost of resurfacing if the quote becomes in above the section 106 contribution (agenda item 11)

Despite the contractor meeting North Somerset onsite in April / May and the Clerk pushing for an update on any possible contribution then North Somerset reported they have still not received a quote to ascertain what the Parish Councils contribution would be.

Resolved – That the Parish Council are prepared to consider a contribution once quotes have been provided.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

113/22 To agree to go out to tender for a KS2+ round-a-bout, two toddler play area accessible pieces of play equipment and two litter bins for the section 106 Recreation Ground allocation (agenda item 12)

Resolved – To agree to go out to tender for an inclusive round-a-bout, 1 or 2 toddler play area accessible pieces of play equipment, two litter bins and 5 aside goal posts.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

114/22 To agree the 2022/23 Banwell Parish Council Action Plan (agenda item 13)

Resolved – To agree the 2022/23 Banwell Parish Council Action Plan with the addition of the digital inclusion sessions and information cafe.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

115/22 To authorise bills for payment for July (agenda item 14)

The Clerk tabled an updated bills for payment sheet for July.

Resolved: To authorise the bills for payment sheet for July of £8,242.28. Cllr Harding and Cllr McCarthy to authorise the BACs payments.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

116/22 To note the Parish Council's end of June's net position, bank balances and bank reconciliation (agenda item 15)

The Parish Council's end of June's net position, bank balances and bank reconciliation were noted.

117/22 Dates of the next meetings (agenda item 16)

Monday 1st of August 7pm Planning Committee meeting at Banwell Youth & Community Centre.

Monday 15th of August 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting at Banwell Youth & Community Centre.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:10

.....Chairman

.....Date